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Unit operation means distinct equipment used in processing, among other things, to prepare reactants, facilitate reactions, separate and purify products, and recycle materials. Equipment used for these purposes includes, but is not limited to, reactors, distillation columns, extraction columns, absorbers, decanters, dryers, condensers, and filtration equipment.

Vapor balancing system means a piping system that is designed to collect organic HAP vapors displaced from tank trucks or railcars during loading; and to route the collected organic HAP vapors to the storage vessel from which the liquid being loaded originated, or to compress collected organic HAP vapors and commingle with the raw feed of a production process unit.

Wastewater is either a process wastewater or a maintenance wastewater and means water that:

- (1) Contains either:
- (i) An annual average concentration of Table 9 compounds (as defined under this subpart) of at least 5 parts per million by weight at the point of determination and has an annual average flow rate of 0.02 liter per minute or greater, or
- (ii) An annual average concentration of Table 9 compounds (as defined under this subpart) of at least 10,000 parts per million by weight at the point of determination at any flow rate, and that
- (2) Is discarded from a process unit, whose primary product is a product produced by a source category subject to this subpart.

Wastewater stream means a stream that contains wastewater.

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§63.1102 Compliance schedule.

(a) General requirements. Affected sources, as defined in $\S63.1103(a)(1)(i)$ for acetvl resins production. §63.1103(b)(1)(i) for acrylic and modacrylic fiber production, $\S63.1103(c)(1)(i)$ for hydrogen fluoride §63.1103(d)(1)(i) production. production, polycarbonate §63.1103(e)(1)(i) for ethylene production, §63.1103(f)(1)(i) for carbon black production, §63.1103(g)(1)(i) for cyanide chemicals manufacturing, or §63.1103(h)(1)(i) for spandex production shall comply with the appropriate provisions of this subpart and the subparts referenced by this subpart according to the schedule in paragraph (a)(1) or (2) of this section, as appropriate. Proposal and effective dates are specified in Table 1 to this section.

- (1) Compliance dates for new and reconstructed sources. (i) The owner or operator of a new or reconstructed affected source that commences construction or reconstruction after the proposal date, and that has an initial startup before the effective date of standards for an affected source, shall comply with this subpart no later than the applicable effective date in Table 1 to §63.1102 of this section.
- (ii) The owner or operator of a new or reconstructed affected source that has an initial startup after the applicable effective date in Table 1 to §63.1102 of this section shall comply with this subpart upon startup of the source.
- (iii) The owner or operator of an affected source that commences construction or reconstruction after the proposal date, but before the effective date in Table 1 to this section, shall comply with this subpart no later than the date 3 years after the effective date if the conditions in paragraphs (a)(1)(iii) (A) and (B) of this section are met.
- (A) The promulgated standards are more stringent than the proposed standards.
- (B) The owner or operator complies with this subpart as proposed during the 3-year period immediately after the effective date of standards for the affected source.
- (2) Compliance dates for existing sources. (i) The owner or operator of an existing affected source shall comply with the requirements of this subpart within 3 years after the effective date of standards for the affected source.
- (ii) The owner or operator of an area source that increases its emissions of (or its potential to emit) HAP such that the source becomes a major source shall be subject to the relevant standards for existing sources under this subpart. Such sources shall comply with the relevant standards within 3 years of becoming a major source.

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(b) [Reserved].

TABLE 1 TO § 63.1102—Source CATEGORY PROPOSAL AND EFFECTIVE DATES

Source category	Proposal date	Effective date
(a) Acetal Resins Production (b) Acrylic and Modacrylic Fibers Production (c) Hydrogen Fluoride Production (d) Polycarbonate Production (e) Ethylene Production (f) Carbon Black Production (g) Cyanide Chemicals Manufacturing (h) Spandex Production	October 14, 1998	June 29, 1999. June 29, 1999. June 29, 1999. June 29, 1999. July 12, 2002. July 12, 2002. July 12, 2002. July 12, 2002. July 12, 2002.

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§63.1103 Source category-specific applicability, definitions, and requirements.

(a) Acetal resins production applicability, definitions, and requirements—(1) Applicability—(i) Affected source. For the acetal resins production source category (as defined in paragraph (a)(2) of this section), the affected source shall comprise all emission points, in comlisted bination. in paragraphs (a)(1)(i)(A) through (D) of this section, that are associated with an acetal resins production process unit located at a major source, as defined in section 112(a) of the Clean Air Act (Act).

(A) All storage vessels that store liquids containing organic HAP. For purposes of regulation, surge control vessels and bottoms receivers that are located as part of the process train prior to the polymer reactor are to be regulated under the front-end process vent provisions.

(B) All process vents from continuous unit operations (front end process vents and back end process vents).

(C) All wastewater streams associated with the acetal resins production process unit as defined in (a)(2) of this section.

(D) Equipment (as defined in §63.1101 of this subpart) that contains or contacts organic HAP.

(ii) Compliance schedule. The compliance schedule for affected sources as defined in paragraph (a)(1)(i) of this section is specified in §63.1102(a).

 $(2) \ Definitions.$

Acetal resins production means the production of homopolymers and/or copolymers of alternating oxymethylene units. Acetal resins are also known as polyoxymethylenes, polyacetals, and

aldehyde resins. Acetal resins are generally produced by polymerizing formaldehyde (HCHO) with the methylene functional group (CH_2) and are characterized by repeating oxymethylene units (CH_2O) in the polymer backbone.

Back end process vent means any process vent from a continuous unit operation that is not a front end process vent up to the final separation of raw materials and by-products from the stabilized polymer.

Front end process vent means any process vent from a continuous unit operation involved in the purification of formaldehyde feedstock for use in the acetal homopolymer process. All front end process vents are restricted to those vents that occur prior to the polymer reactor.

(3) Requirements. Table 1 of this section specifies the acetal resins production standards applicability for existing and new sources. Applicability assessment procedures and methods are specified in §§ 63.1104 through 63.1107. An owner or operator of an affected source is not required to perform tests, TRE calculations or other applicability assessment procedures if they opt to comply with the most stringent requirements for an applicable emission point pursuant to this subpart. General compliance, recordkeeping, and reporting requirements are specified in §§ 63.1108 through 63.1112. Procedures for approval of alternative means of emission limitations are specified in §63.1113. The owner or operator must control organic HAP emissions from each affected source emission point by meeting the applicable requirements specified in table 1 of this section.